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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, the applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the first month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the Office Action of January 16, 2002. A credit card payment in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

Please charge any shortage in fees to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (520.37902X00).

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